



**GARW VALLEY COMMUNITY COUNCIL**  
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**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE EVENTS COMMITTEE HELD AT  
PONTYCYMER OAP CENTRE AND VIA TEAMS ON WEDNESDAY 3<sup>RD</sup> JUNE AT 6.30 PM**

Present: Councillor Heather Griffiths (Incoming Chair)

Councillor: J Coles  
C Lloyd  
N Harwood-Scorer

Apologies: None

Also Present:  
Mrs A C Harris, Clerk & RFO, Councillor D Williams and  
Councillor G Lloyd

EC1/26-27

EC2/26-27 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor	Minute No	Declaration of Interest
H Griffiths	All relevant	Member BCBC and Governor at Ffaldau School
C Lloyd	All relevant	Governor Tynyrheol Primary School

EC3/26-27 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 2024 MEETING

**Resolved:** The Minutes of November 2024 committee meeting were read and approved as an accurate account of the meeting and the Chair signed the Minutes.

EC4/26-27 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE NOVEMBER 2024 MINUTES

**Resolved:** There were no matters arising from the November 2024 minutes.

EC5/26-27 TO ELECT A CHAIR OF EVENTS COMMITTEE

Councillor Chris Lloyd proposed that Councillor Heather Griffiths is re-elected as Chair of Committee, this was seconded by Councillor John Coles and unanimously agreed.

**Resolved:** Councillor Heather Griffiths is re-elected as Chair of Committee

EC6/26-27 COUNCILLOR D WILLIAMS - EVENTS

Councillor David Williams gave a demonstration of one of the games he is offering. Agreed that he will give a demonstration at the next T&CC Chairs & Clerks meeting on 18<sup>th</sup> June and offer the event to all T&CCs to relay to their youth clubs, schools etc. Legal advisor OVW on leave until 15<sup>th</sup> June so Clerk has been unable to find out the council's position on charging for these events.

**Resolved:** No further action to be taken until the Clerk is given information on charging for these events.

EC7/26-27 RPM BIKE TRAILS DISPLAY SHOW

The Clerk had circulated information on two possible events. Links had been included to view you tube examples.

**Resolved:** All members agreed to watch the videos after the meeting and consider if they are suitable for Parc Calon Lan events next year.

**EC8/26-27 VISITOR CENTRE OPENING**

The plans to open the Visitor Centre on the school summer holiday weekends were discussed; though this would only be possible if the de-silting work were completed and the contractor compound removed. The volunteers Councillors H Griffiths, C Lloyd and D Williams will work together to organise their own rota and purchase refreshment,

**Resolved:** Any refreshment purchases will need a receipt to be submitted to the Clerk for reimbursement.

**EC9/26-27 CHRISTMAS CONCERT 2026**

Whilst the Christmas Concert had been a success last year there had been some failings in the organisation with the programme not printed, issues with gifts etc and these were discussed. It was noted that Councillor M Trowbridge had done a great job. Plans for 2026 were discussed with the Pontycymer Ward being the host ward. The importance of deciding on a venue and booking it along with booking the entertainment prior to the summer is imperative.

**Resolved:** It was agreed to recommend to full council: that the concert will take place on 4<sup>th</sup> December 2026. The Chair is unable to attend on that date so the Vice-Chair will deputise. It was unanimously agreed to find alternative entertainment to the previous Choir. Councillor Heather Griffiths would meet with the Pontycymer Ward Councillors to discuss their plans and regularly feedback to the Events Committee and Council. The Events Committee would oversee all arrangements.

**EC10/26-27 ITEMS FOR THE NEXT EVENTS COMMITTEE MEETING**

- Update on Visitor Centre Opening
- Update on Christmas Concert

**Resolved:** It was agreed to keep this open to include anything that may arise in the time between meetings.

**EC11/26-27 TO AGREE THE DATE AND LOCATION FOR THE NEXT EVENTS COMMITTEE MEETING**

**Resolved:** The next Committee Meeting would be held on 8<sup>th</sup> July 2026 at 6.30 pm at Pontycymer OAP Centre.

With there being no further matters to discuss the Chair thanked everyone for their attendance and closed the meeting at 7.10 pm